

Alexandria Gazette.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JAN. 14, 1903.

LOCAL NEWS.

The subscription of those in arrears to the Gazette will be discontinued from this date.

Sun rises tomorrow at 7:25 a. m. and sets 5:06 p. m. High water at 8:43 a. m. and 9:04 p. m.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.—For this section partly cloudy tonight and Thursday; rising temperature tonight; light south-westerly winds.

Victim of Sad Accident.

Mr. Isaac W. Rudd is in a critical condition, the result of two falls yesterday within almost a month. While on the postoffice corner he slipped and fell and was helped to his home on Fairfax street, near Prince, where he was put to bed. He apparently soon recovered and later insisted upon dressing and going down stairs. Against the protests of members of his family he began to descend the steps and had reached the first landing when he fell down the flight of stairs and against the door at their base. He was picked up as soon as possible when he was found to be in an unconscious state and Dr. Jones was summoned. The latter upon examination found that Mr. Rudd had been stricken with paralysis. Whether the attack had come on while he was on the steps or resulted from the fall is unknown. He has remained in an unconscious state ever since and his condition is extremely critical. Mr. Rudd is one of our best known citizens. He is a son of the late Richard Rudd and a painter by occupation. At the outbreak of the civil war he was a member of the Mount Vernon Guards, afterwards Company E, of the Seventeenth Virginia Infantry, and served throughout the four years' conflict. At the close he returned to his native town and for a short time was a member of the night police force of the city when the late James Walsh was captain. Later he resumed his trade which he has followed ever since. He is a member of B. E. Lee Camp of Confederate Veterans. Mr. Rudd has many friends and acquaintances who will regret to hear of the sad accident which has befallen him and his present serious condition.

Royal Arcanum Banquet.

The meeting last night of Alexandria Council, Royal Arcanum, was interesting throughout, and the banquet which followed was the last act in one of the most pleasant gatherings of the members of that organization. Rev. F. T. McFadden, Grand Vice Regent of Lynchburg, was present, as was also J. B. Blanks, Grand Secretary, and Robert W. Arnold, of this city, the present Grand Regent of the State. During the session of the council the Grand Vice Regent, in a few appropriate remarks, presented a Past Regent's jewel to Mr. F. J. Pollard. The latter made a feeling response upon receiving the token. The Grand Secretary subsequently installed the officers of the council who were elected last December, the names of which appeared in the Gazette at the time. After the adjournment of the council the members and their guests repaired to the dining room of Mrs. A. Rammel & Son's restaurant, where a splendid collation had been spread. The discussion of the feast lasted until about 11 o'clock. Speeches were made during the evening by Grand Regent Arnold, Grand Vice Regent McFadden and Grand Secretary Blanks.

The Weather and the River.

The river's surface as far as the eye can reach is now completely covered with ice, which has effectively closed navigation so far as sailing vessels are concerned. The steamers, however, still force their way through it. The Norfolk steamer Washington arrived up ahead of time this morning. She reported encountering ice from Lower Cedar Point up. At Maryland Point it was about two inches thick, but from Fort Washington on it was at least four inches. The steamer Harry Randall followed in the Washington's track to this port. The B. & O. transfer tugboat Brewerton is still towing the barge between the slip at the foot of Wilkes street and Shepherd's, and the Washington ferry boat Columbia is keeping the line open. The tugboat Mitchell Davis passed up this morning, and the Camilla is on her way up with a large schooner in tow. The weather has moderated slightly and the wind has changed to the south. There were indications of snow this morning, but later the heavens became semi-clear.

Accidents at the Fire.

Mr. Stephen Taylor, driver of the Columbia hose wagon, was thrown from that vehicle during the fire last night and had one of his wrists sprained.

Mr. Harry Downham while at work at the fire last night was struck on the head by a falling brick and painfully cut. He was escorted to a house in the neighborhood where the wound was dressed, after which he returned to the scene of the conflagration and vied with others in subduing it.

A young man named Schafer had one of his hands seriously cut while endeavoring to pry open a door of the burning planing mill.

Police Court Notes.

There were no cases for trial in the Police Court this morning. A one-armed man named Whitby, from Manassas had lodged complaint against a young man named Beach whom he charged with slapping him during the fire last night. He afterward said he was not positive Beach was the assailant. It is said that Whitby, who had been attracted to the fire asserted that it was not being handled properly by the firemen, which caused friction with some of the latter, resulting in the stranger being slapped on the face.

Meetings.

The S. S. Shed Bro. Company met at Mr. J. R. Caton's office in this city yesterday and organized.

Today a number of companies with Virginia charters held their annual meetings in this city, among them the Anglo-American Company, limited; the Debenture Stock Company, the Capital Syndicate Company, the Rex Cigar Company, the Charles Schneider Baking Company and the B. H. Warner Company.

Mrs. Mabel Bacon Johnson, wife of Dr. Joseph Taylor Johnson, died unexpectedly yesterday at her home in Washington.

FIRE LAST NIGHT.

Rishell & Son's Planing Mill Gutted—Machinery and Stock Destroyed—Alexandria Iron Works also Suffer Considerable Loss—Partial Demolition of an Old Landmark—Energetic Work of Firemen—Horse Burned to Death.

Shortly after six o'clock last night people living in the neighborhood had their attention attracted by smoke which was issuing from Rishell & Son's planing mill, on the south side of Wilkes street, near Royal. A crowd soon gathered, although no one seemed to know exactly what to do, but an alarm had in the meantime been sent in. By the time the fire apparatus reached the scene smoke had almost enveloped the building and it was being gently wafted by the wind for squares away. The fire had acquired considerable headway and was raging in hay, shavings, lumber and other inflammable materials. The doors and windows being shut and the interior and exterior of the structure enveloped in huge banks of smoke, it was impossible to ascertain just where most of the fire was raging. Fortunately the late prevailing northwest wind had considerably abated, and although huge columns of smoke ascended skyward carrying with them myriads of sparks, the latter soared and sailed high in the air and were mostly consumed before they could alight on nearby buildings, although people living contiguous to the scene suffered some apprehension before it was definitely known that the danger to adjoining property was over and that the fire was under control. The engines were put to work as soon as possible, previous to which an attempt had been made to save two horses which were on the ground floor. One was brought out, but the other perished, probably having been suffocated by smoke, and later several workmen at the mill who were soon on the scene managed to secure their chests of tools.

The firemen soon had four streams playing on the building, but the flames had made such rapid headway that it was realized early that the mill was doomed as well as a part of the foundry proper; that is that portion on the southeast corner of Wilkes and Royal streets. Although every endeavor was made to prevent it, the flames eventually burst through the roof and windows of the planing mill on every side, when columns of fire shot upward, illuminating the southern heavens, and forming a startling but weird picture.

A line of hose was stretched to the south of the doomed structure and for an hour or more a steady stream of water prevented the flames from licking their way across to the foundry proper while other streams playing on the north concentrated the fire in the brick building, which eventually burned out.

The flames made their way to the adjoining structure, old Jamieson machine shop, now the Alexandria Iron Works, and soon the upper story of that structure was also enveloped in flames. Although streams of water were incessantly shooting into the building, it was apparently a long time before the fire showed signs that it was about to be conquered. Floors had burned, rafters been consumed and highly inflammable lumber, saturated with turpentine, banks of shavings, wooden patterns, &c., had burned like tinder.

The fire was necessarily a stubborn one from start to finish, but those engaged in staying its progress were equal to the occasion and worked heroically to confine it within the bounds of the brick structures and were successful.

It was after midnight before the firemen ceased from their labors. A large crowd of people was attracted to the scene, and many of them remained until a late hour.

The origin of the fire is unknown, although there are several theories, among them that of spontaneous combustion. Some say it broke out on the second floor over the engine room, others that it originated in a heap of manure on the ground floor near the engine room. The fact that the interior was packed with thick smoke when the fire was discovered rendered it impossible to say with certainty where it was first kindled.

The planing mill, in which the fire originated, is of brick with a tin roof. It was comparatively new, having been built a few years ago for the purposes for which it was used. As is well known, the building to the west has been an Alexandria landmark for nearly half a century, having been used as a machine shop by the late Thomas Jamieson; later (during the civil war) by Alexander McDonald, and subsequently by Jamieson & Collins, and Curtin & Butts who recently had it incorporated as the Alexandria Iron Works.

The proprietors of these industries have the sincere sympathy of every one in the city in the loss and discomfort to which they have been subjected. This is the second time during the past twenty years that Mr. Rishell has had a plant destroyed. It is hoped that, phoenix-like, each victim of last night's fire will rise superior to this set-back and that the hum of their machinery will soon be heard again.

Rishell & Sons had \$1,200 insurance on the machinery and material in the planing mill. They estimate their loss at between \$83,000 and \$85,000. The buildings which are owned by the Alexandria Iron Works, are insured as is also the machinery, which was badly damaged. Their policies aggregate nearly \$4,000, but the officers of the company estimate their loss at figures considerably in excess of that sum.

The iron works employed about 50 and the Messrs. Rishell 14 men, all of whom will be thrown out of work for some time as the result of the fire.

The Alexandria Iron Works will rebuild as soon as possible, and today secured another building in which to start their pattern shop at once.

Bridge Piers About Completed.

Except for the finishing work, the stone piers on which the new Long bridge will be built have been completed and the workmen are now engaged in the erection of the heavy stone abutment to the Virginia approach to the bridge. Within the past two or three weeks all the piers on the Virginia side of the draw-er pier have been built, and now but little remains to be done, it is understood before the work of building the steel bridge proper can be begun. As yet none of the structural steel parts of the bridge has been delivered, as far as is seen, and it is not believed that the putting together of the steel work will be commenced before spring. By that time the approaches and piers will be all completed.

MEDICINAL.

Record of the Past.

No Stronger Evidence Can Be Produced.

Look well to their record. What they have done many times in years gone by is the best guarantee of future results. Any one with a bad back, any reader suffering from urinary troubles, from any kidney ills, will find in the following evidence proof that relief and cure is near at hand:

Mr. G. M. Meyers, the well-known shoemaker of Winchester avenue and 14th street, Ashland, Ky., says: Doan's Kidney Pills are like true friends, the longer you know them the better they are appreciated. I can add nothing to the statement I first made in 1896 after I procured the remedy at the Ventura Drug Company and took a course of the treatment, which cured me. I was absolutely free from all backache for nearly three years, then I noticed a slight ache, as the result of a cold, in my back. A box of Doan's Kidney Pills disposed of it. I have recommended this remedy to many, and have never heard of one who did not endorse the claims made for it.

For sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Another Fire.

There was a slight fire in Mr. W. E. Bain's hardware store, southeast corner of King and Royal streets, early last night, caused by an overheated stove and stovepipe. The fire at Rishell & Son's planing mill was raging at the time and fire extinguishers were procured from E. S. Leadbeater & Son's drug store with which the flames were soon extinguished before any material damage had been done.

Death of Mrs. Desmond.

Mrs. Hannah Desmond, widow of Morris Desmond, died at her home on north Pitt street at an early hour this morning. The deceased had recently been suffering from pneumonia. She leaves two children—Cousinman Wm. Desmond and Mrs. Kate Henderson, wife of Officer Henderson.

Personal.

Capt. K. Kemper has gone to Richmond to attend a meeting of the State superintendents of schools and school principals.

Mr. W. H. Bontz, driver of the Hydraulic hose wagon, is confined to his home by sickness.

LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

The ice on the coves and creeks affords fine skating at present and many indulge in the sport daily.

The union evangelical services will be held tonight in Trinity M. E. Church. Rev. Mr. Ewell will deliver the sermon.

A little girl named Dean, with her mother, yesterday went to the store of Mr. Jacob Troth, in lower Fairfax county, and to get warm went too close to a stove. The draft drew the clothing of the little one into the stove and in an instant she was in a blaze. Mr. Troth rushed to her assistance and hastily extinguished the flames, but, however, until the little girl had been painfully burned.

Mr. Vernon Council, No. 1, D. of A., will hold a box social at their hall on south Fairfax street on Friday night at 8 o'clock. All are cordially invited. Mary Washington Council, No. 4, and the Junior Councils will be present. A special programme has been prepared and all who attend will enjoy a pleasant evening's entertainment.

In the Corporation Court today in the case of W. H. Smith vs. R. H. Cox, sergeant, administrator, a decree was entered confirming the sale of two lots of property. Mr. S. G. Brent was appointed to execute the necessary 6.34s.

Steam escaping with a loud report yesterday evening gave rise to the erroneous report that the boiler in Mr. F. J. Pollard's feed store, on King street, had exploded.

The directors of the First National Bank met yesterday evening and re-elected Mr. C. R. Hoof president and all the other old officers.

Commencing tomorrow the Washington Southern Railway Company will run a pay car over its line once a month.

Eva M., infant daughter of Mr. Harry Roberts, died at his parents' residence, 129 north Payne street, last night.

Trott, roundhead, sheephead, haddock and frozen smelt will be for sale in market tomorrow by G. E. Price & Co.

Mr. Robert Travers will have shad, trout, bass and haddock for sale in market tomorrow.

COUGHS AND COLDS IN CHILDREN

Recommendation of a Well Known Chicago Physician.

I use and prescribe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for almost all obstinate, constricted cough, with direct results. I prescribe it to children of all ages. Am glad to recommend it to all in need and seeking relief from colds and coughs and bronchial affections. It is non-narcotic and safe in the hands of the most unprofessional. A universal panacea for all mankind.—Mrs. Mary R. Melendy, M. D., Chicago, Ill. This remedy is for sale by Richard Gibson, Druggist.

The crowned heads of every nation, The rich men, poor men and misers All join in paying tribute to DeWitt's Little Early Risers.

H. Williams, San Antonio, Tex., writes: Little Early Risers Pills are the best I ever used in my family. I unhesitatingly recommend them to everybody. They cure Constipation, Biliousness, Sick Headache, Torpid Liver, Jaundice, malaria and all other liver troubles. E. S. Leadbeater & Sons.

DIED.

On Wednesday, January 14, 1903, at 2:15 A. M., Mrs. HANNAH DESMOND departed this life, aged 78 years. Funeral from St. Mary's Church Friday morning at 9:30. Friends of the family are invited to attend. Jan 14 21

FOR SALE.

The celebrated Fishing Shore, known as Chapman's Point, at Glymont, on the Potomac river, in Charles county, Md. This shore is about twenty-two miles from Washington, and about 16 miles from Alexandria, Va., and is well equipped with Seins, Bouts, Tackle, Vats, Barrels, Salt, &c., &c., and is ready for immediate use. There is also on the property a large new, well-built Fish House, together with several other buildings.

For several years this shore had been worked by the late George L. Gale. JAMES H. BUCHANAN, 314 St. Paul street, Baltimore, Md.

INFORMATION WANTED.

In the year 1872, F. L. Dickson or Dickinson, of Alexandria, Virginia, made extracts from a journal of Nathaniel Hawthorne of about 225 pages, which he forwarded to the Portland Transcript. The journal, formerly owned by Wm. Symes, colored, would like to find it. S. P. MAYBERRY, Knightville, Maine.

BLENDED TEAS for sale at 40c, 50c and 60c per pound at J. C. MILBURN.

ORANGE PEEL and Lemon Peel, choice for sale by J. C. MILBURN.

FREE DEMONSTRATION at HELLMUTH BROS.' STORE of



DELICIOUS AND NUTRITIOUS FLAKES OF WHOLE WHEAT. The Twentieth Century food for breakfast, lunch and dinner. When down town drop in at HELLMUTH BROS. and be sure to ask for one of our exquisite cereals.

CEREO-MALTA is the only cereal food on the market that is made from hard wheat containing a maximum percentage of gluten.

CEREO-MALTA is the only cereal food containing malt and pepsin.

CEREO-MALTA is fully protected by United States patents.

AVOID CEREAL FOODS PREPARED FROM SOFT, STARCHY WHEAT.

AVOID UNDERCOOKED AND INCORRECTLY PREPARED CEREALS.

ASK YOUR PHYSICIAN WHY. Jan 13 31

Lansburgh & Bro.,

Washington's Favorite Store. Business Hours 8 A. M. to 5:30 P. M. Open Saturdays till 9 o'clock.

Warm Bedwear.

The next best thing to a full coal bin is plenty of warm bedwear. These specials should interest you.

11-4 White Wool Blanket, closely woven; well made and well finished, wide silk binding; double stitched; red, blue, and pink borders; \$3.50 value. \$2.98

11-4 Full-size Wool Blanket; comes in white, gray and scarlet; strongly made; fast color; the white and gray ones have a large assortment of borders; the scarlets are all wool; \$4.50 value. \$3.98

Five Down Comforts; filled with fine, soft, guaranteed colorless down; covered with French satin; good dark colorings; \$5.50 value. To close. \$4.45

11-4 Fine California All-wool Scarlet Blanket; full size; thoroughly shrunken; \$6.00 value. \$5.00

"Our Champion" Blanket, made by the "Royal California Mills"; the best materials used; manufactured and finished in the finest possible manner; dainty pink and blue borders; wide silk binding; worth \$5.00 all of \$7.00. \$5.90

Lansburgh & Bro.,

420 to 426 Seventh Street, WASHINGTON, D. C.

CITY COUNCIL.

There was to have been a meeting of the City Council last night, but the fire at Rishell & Son's planing mill concentrated so much attention in the southeastern part of the city that but eight members of the Common Council appeared and as they did not constitute a quorum, it was necessary to adjourn, under the rules, until tonight.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

A bare quorum of Aldermen was present. Mr. J. T. Sweeney presented a petition from Mrs. Anna M. Appich for permission to use incandescent electric lights in her hotel on King street which was laid over until next meeting, inasmuch as the Common Council was not in session.

The Aldermen then adjourned until tonight.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Only eight members were present and the chairman at 8:10 o'clock declared that under the rules the body stood adjourned till tonight. The resignation of Commissioner of Police Ashby Miller, was in the hands of the clerk and a resolution to allow the Bell-Pre Glass Company to extend its railroad siding down Fayette to Wythe streets was to have been presented.

OFFICIAL.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Alexandria, Va., held January 13, 1903, there were present: J. T. Sweeney, esp. President, and Messrs. Hill, Ballenger, Clark and W. H. Sweeney.

The President presented a petition of Mrs. Anna M. Appich for permission to place incandescent electric lights in her place of business for decorative purposes, and the paper was laid over until the next meeting.

The Council then adjourned to meet Wednesday, January 14, 1903.

Teste: LUTHER H. THOMPSON, Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

At a regular meeting of the Common Council of the city of Alexandria, Va., held January 13, 1903, there were present: F. J. Paff, esp. President, and Messrs. Snowden, Fisher, Brill, Bryan, Johnson, Uhler and Leadbeater.

No quorum being present, the board, in pursuance of the rule, adjourned to meet on Wednesday, January 14, 1903.

Teste: FRED J. PAFF, President.

Teste: LAMIEL R. STANBURY, Clerk.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Marquis Francois De Borne was frozen to death in Paris last night while riding on the outside of an omnibus.

George Chapman, who is charged with the poisoning of three women in London, was arraigned in court today. He repeated his assertions that he is an American citizen.

News was received this morning from Fez at Tangier states that the report that the forces of the Sultan have been defeated by those of the Pretender is not generally believed there.

A dispatch from Algiers says that yesterday evening at Upper Mustapha the wife of D. S. Kidder, the American Consul, was assaulted, knocked down and robbed of her purse. Her assailant has not yet been discovered.

Mr. Robert Soton, formerly of St. Josephs, Newark, N. J., and now living in Rome, is considered to have a fair chance for appointment as bishop of Buffalo to succeed Bishop Quigley, recently appointed archbishop of Chicago. At Harbin, Manchuria, today a cashiered soldier attempted to assassinate General Dietrich, commander of the Trans-Amur district. The assassin alleges that he was ill-treated by the commander.

Judge Andrew Kirkpatrick, in the United States Circuit Court, in Newark, N. J., has filed a decision making permanent the temporary injunction which for the last few weeks has prohibited the Pennsylvania Railroad Company from ousting the Western Union Telegraph Company's equipment from the lines of the former in the State of New Jersey.

DRY GOODS.

D. Bendheim & Sons.

Liberal Discounts Given on Ladies', Misses' and Children's Furs. Ladies', Misses' and Children's Coats. Also Blankets and Comforts.

DRY GOODS.

Woodward & Lothrop,

10th, 11th & F Sts N. W. Until Further Notice, Store Will Close at 5:30 P. M.

The White Sale Continues

Housekeeping Supplies, Upholstery Goods and Housefurnishings.

Three classes of household needs of especial interest to housekeepers. Included are articles that are needed daily all about the house—a great many of which are offered at less prices than often asked for goods of a greatly inferior make.

Household Linens, Blankets, Comfortables, Sheets, Pillow Slips, Towels. Also Hand-drawn Work, Embroidered and Lace-trimmed Dollies, Centerpieces, Tea Cloths, Pillow Shams and Dresser Scarfs.

The following are unusual values:

Table Cloths.

Scotch Damask Table Cloths. 2x2 yards, \$2.00 each. 2x3 yards, \$2.50 each. 2x4 yards, \$3.00 each. Napkins, 1 size, \$2.25 a dozen. Napkins, 1 size, \$3.00 a dozen.

Huck Towels.

20x28-inch Hemstitched All-linen Huck Towels. \$3.00 a dozen.

Sheets.

Double Bed Sheets; size 24x24 yards. 45c each.

Crochet Sheets.

11-4 Hemmed Crochet Quilts. 95c each.

White Goods.

40-inch White India Lawn, suitable for women's underwear, children's frocks, &c. 15c a yard. Value, 25c.

36-inch Sheer Nainsook, 12 yards to the piece. \$1.75 per piece.

Second floor, Eleventh street.

White Porcelain Dinner Sets.

White Porcelain Dinner Sets, made by one of the leading American potteries. \$2.50 per 115-piece set.

We also show White Porcelain in open stock.

White Porcelain Toilet Sets.

Bath with and without soap jars. 10 piece Toilet sets without jar. \$2.75 12 piece Toilet set with covered jar. 4.50

Woodward & Lothrop,

10th, 11th and F Sts, N. W. WASHINGTON, D. C.

JEWELERS.

WINDING DONE,

Acton Precision Watches DO THE REST.

Accuracy Absolutely Guaranteed. . . .

R. C. Acton & Son,

Jewelers and Silversmiths.

N. B.—Wedding invitations and cards correctly engraved at moderate prices.

WANTED.

WANTED TABLE BOARDERS. Apply at 112 south Patrick street, City. Jan 13 1w

Quality Established Our Reputation.

RAMMEL'S

Restaurant

FOR OYSTERS

Surpassing Steamed Oysters.

EVANS' ALE, PORTNER'S HOFBRAU BEER, GRAPHOPHONE MUSIC.

Opera House Cafe.

NO. 1 FAT MACKEREL for sale by J. C. MILBURN.

A LARGE stock of BROOMS for sale by J. C. MILBURN.

DRY GOODS.

SWAN BROS.,

424-426 King Street.

Cold Weather Goods.

Comforts and Blankets.

Warm Comforts, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$4.50. \$4.50